



Swallowfield Primary

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Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back and we wish you a Happy New Year! We hope that you had a good Christmas break and would like to express our thanks for the kind words, cards and gifts we received.

Our learning in the Spring Term is focused around the theme '**Famous People**'. We will be learning about the life and works of a variety of famous people from all areas such as authors, inventors, explorers, artists and other iconic people. We will be spending some time learning about the famous diary writing of Samuel Pepys and finding out about **The Great Fire of London**. In addition to this, we will also be doing a short geography-based unit of work on **China**. Please see the Medium-Term Plan on Google Classroom for more information.

Homework

Homework will be uploaded to Google Classroom this week. The children will continue to receive weekly spellings and will be tested on the following Friday. Home Learning Tasks will also be uploaded. Any completed homework should be submitted via Google Classroom. Photographs or short video clips are an excellent way to record projects or practical pieces of work. It will not be necessary to submit spelling practice. We understand that it is sometimes difficult to find time for the children to complete their home learning tasks, but we do encourage them to complete one piece most weeks. We will also be introducing the children to times tables and it would be great if these could be practiced at home each week. Please see the separate letter with more information.

PE

Our PE day continues to be on a **Wednesday**. Your child will need to come to school in their PE kit on this day. We will have one indoor and one outdoor PE lesson (weather permitting), so the children will need to be appropriately dressed. It might be a good idea to wear shorts under tracksuit bottoms, a navy-blue sweatshirt or school fleece will be necessary particularly when the weather is colder, and trainers will be better than plimsoles. We will not be able to offer spare kit to the children so please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit every Wednesday. Also, please ensure that all jewellery and earrings are removed on that day.

Going Home Arrangements

Please remember that if your child is going home with someone else please let us know prior to pick up. Without parental consent, we are unable to release your child to anyone else. Please contact the office when notifying us about going home arrangements because teacher's emails may not be checked until after school.

Communication

Please continue to contact us via email or catch us at the end of the school day. We will endeavour to respond to emails within 48 working hours. If the matter is urgent please telephone the school office. (01908-582101)

General queries - enquiries@swallowfieldprimary.com

Y2P – c.gedney@swallowfieldprimary.com

Y2H – k.harding@swallowfieldprimary.com

As you may already be aware, Miss Potter had a very exciting Christmas break and got married! She will now be known as Mrs Gedney but the class name will remain as Y2P until the end of the academic year. Please also note the change to her email address above.

We are looking forward to an exciting term ahead and can't wait to see the children tomorrow.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Gedney and Miss Harding

Year 2 Class Teachers